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# NEWS RELEASE

## San Diego Police Department

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### **POLICE INVESTIGATE COMMERCIAL ROBBERY SERIES**

**(San Diego)** San Diego Police Department Robbery Unit detectives are investigating a series of armed robberies that began in August. Since then, the suspects are believed to have committed sixteen robberies throughout the City. Agencies from Oceanside to Chula Vista report similar cases.

In the early cases, a female suspect would enter the business while talking on a cell phone. She would contact employees to place an order or inquire about services while conversing on the phone. A short time after the female exited the business, two black male suspects armed with handguns would enter and demand cash from the register and safe.

This robbery crew is comprised of at least three males. While the suspects committed several robberies in pairs, there are also cases where suspects acted alone. More than one female may be involved in the series.

Suspect #1 is described as a black male, 20-30 years of age, 5'8"-5'10", stocky build with a light complexion and green or hazel eyes. He usually wears a dark hooded sweatshirt or baseball cap. He has used a bandana to cover his face or a towel over his head as a disguise.

Suspect #2 is described as a black male, 20-30 years of age, 5'10"-6'0", thin build with a dark complexion. He has worn a black hooded sweatshirt and dark pants.

Suspect #3 is described as a black male, 20-30 years of age, 5'10"-6'2", medium build with a medium complexion. He is said to have a mustache and acne scars. He has worn a black baseball cap, large red-framed sunglasses, dark pants and black athletic shoes.

Suspect #4 is described as a black female, 16-25 years of age, 5'3"-5'5", with a muscular build. She wears her hair in a side-parted ponytail with bangs.

The suspects were armed with a black semi-automatic handgun. A small, dark-colored compact vehicle was seen in one case.

Photos of the suspects are attached to this Release.

Anyone with information about this incident is encouraged to call the San Diego Police Department Robbery Unit at (619) 531-2299 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-TIPS. Callers to the Crime Stoppers toll-free tip line can remain anonymous and be eligible for a reward up to \$1000 for information leading to an arrest in this case.



Suspect #1

Suspect #2



Suspect #3

Suspect #4

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